Approved: 3-19-03

Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Stan Clark at 9:30 a.m. on March 13, 2003 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Raney Gillliland, Legislative Research

Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes

Ann McMorris, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Shirley Bramhall, Flint Hills Breadbasket, Manhattan Deborah Johnston, Geary Health Council, Junction City

James Olson, Community Resources Council of Shawnee County

Caroline Williams, Westar Energy

Julie Govert-Walter, North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging

Kathleen Jackson, Salina Emergency Aid/Foodbank

Cynthia Smith, Great Plains Energy

Paula Johnson, Kansas Corporation Commission

Michael Klein, Salvation Army

Niki Christopher, CURB

Robert A. Fox, Attorney for AARP, Topeka Mike Farmer, Kansas Catholic Conference Candace Shively, Deputy Secretary, SRS

Others attending: See attached list

Chair opened hearing on

HB 2186 - Rules and procedures for disconnecting reesidential customers' electric or gas utility service

Proponents

Shirley Bramhall, Flint Hills Breadbasket, Manhattan (Attachment 1)

Deborah Johnston, Geary Health Council, Junction City (Attachment 2)

James Olson, Community Resources Council of Shawnee County (Attachment 3)

Caroline Williams, Westar Energy (Attachment 4)

Julie Govert Walter, North Central Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging (Attachment 5)

Kathleen Jackson, Salina Emergency Aid/Foodbank (Attachment 6)

Written testimony only from proponents

Geary Health Council, Inc., Junction City (Attachment 7)

Salvation Army, Junction City (Attachment 8)

Kansas Assn. Of Community Action Agencies (Attachment 9)

Neutral

Cynthia Smith, Great Plains Energy (Attachment 10)

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE at on March 13, 2003 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

Opponents

Paula Johnson, Kansas Corporation Commission (Attachment 11)

Michael Klein, Salvation Army (Attachment 12) Niki Christopher, CURB (Attachment 13)

Robert A. Fox, Attorney for AARP, Topeka (Attachment 14)

Mike Farmer, Kansas Catholic Conference (Attachment 15)

Candace Shively, Deputy Secretary, SRS (Attachment 16)

Written testimony only from opponents

Sandy Barnett, Kansas Coalition against Sexual & Domestic Violence (Attachment 17)

__Garry Winget, Kansans for Life At Its Best (Attachment 18)

Karole Bradford, Inter-Faith Ministries, Wichita (Attachment 19)

Discussion on the fiscal note. Chair noted the possibility of appointing a subcommittee to study this bill further. No action was taken.

Chair closed the hearing on HB 2186.

The next meeting of the Senate Utilities Committee will be on Monday, March 17.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Secretary

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